IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner:

In re application of

Naoki OKINO, et al.

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METHOD FOR FORMING A RESINOUS FRAME AND METHOD

FOR PREPARING A PANEL WITH A RESINOUS FRAME USING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-9 and add new claims 10-21 attached hereto.

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments are made, *inter alica*, in order to remove multiple dependencies and avoid the Government surcharge. Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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